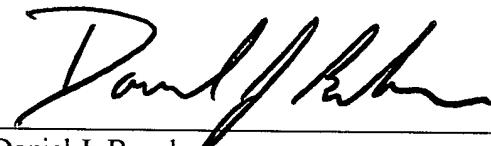


## REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-21 remain in the application for further prosecution.

If there are any matters which may be resolved or clarified through a telephone interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the Applicants' undersigned attorney at the number indicated.

Respectfully submitted,



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